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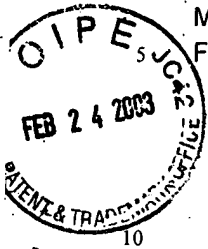
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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action mailed October 21, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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Please re-write paragraph [0012] as follows:

[0012] FIG. 2 is a flowchart illustrating steps to dynamically control a reference voltage. In a step 202, an initialization decision is made. If the current state of the input signal is at a high voltage, flow proceeds to step 214. If the current state of the input signal is a low voltage, flow proceeds to step 204. In a step 204, the system waits for a transition. Since it was determined in step 202 that the current state of the input signal was at a low voltage, or because flow to step 204 came from step 216 just after a high-to-low transition, the transition in step 204 would be a low-to-high transition. After this transition, flow proceeds to step 206. In a step 206, the reference voltage is ramped-up from its present voltage to a higher voltage. Flow then proceeds to step 214.

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